

the lives of hundreds of thousands of soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines around the world.

Louise began her remarkable career in 1975 in Canoga Park, CA, as a financial analyst with Hughes Missile Systems Company. In fact, she comes from a family of "missileers." Louise credits her father, Leo Langlois, an engineer with Hughes, for getting her into the business right after her graduation from Scripps College in Claremont, CA.

After joining Hughes, Louise began her meteoric rise through the company. Louise quickly became known and had the well-deserved reputation of being able to not only structure a win-win business deal, but also help the organization think through complex issues and challenges.

In 1993 and the years that followed, she became Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Chief Operating Officer, President of Hughes Missile Systems Company and eventually, after the Hughes merger with Raytheon, President of Raytheon Missile Systems. Throughout her career, Louise has been known as an inspiring mentor, teacher and role model to all. Her mastery of business strategy enabled the Missile Company to grow over 100 percent in sales over the last 6 years rising to become southern Arizona's number one employer. Louise's dedication to the U.S. warfighter and our allies and friends around the world is legendary. From the Tomahawk Cruise Missile to the complex Missile Defense Systems that guard our homeland, she has provided for the collective defense of this great Nation.

Grounded by her strong love of family, to include her husband John, their children, her parents, in-laws and brother and sister, she has continued to provide strength and inspiration to her Raytheon family. Her long-lasting legacy will be her dedication to the people of Raytheon and her strong core values of inclusiveness, personal and professional ethics and leadership excellence.

I join with my colleagues on behalf of all the freedom loving people around the world to offer our heartfelt congratulations and thanks to a true American patriot. Louise has earned our respect and admiration as a champion for freedom and a role model for all.

APOLOGY

HON. JOHN D. DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, during floor debate on the legislation to regulate tobacco yesterday, I made some remarks that unfairly, and inaccurately, personalized the issue, and I am here today to apologize to my friend and colleague JOHN BOEHNER.

I have the utmost respect for his professional abilities, as well as great affection for him personally. I did not intend for my remarks to be taken in any way as personal criticism. As a friend, I just did not want to see anything bad happen to him or for his family to be burdened unnecessarily in any way. Those are matters that are distinct from any legitimate disagreement over matters of public policy, and while we have indeed had disagreements, we have also been able to work together on

many matters of importance. I hope that we will continue to do so.

Again, I hope Mr. BOEHNER will accept my apology.

TRIBUTE TO COLONEL ROBERT K. MORGAN

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the late Colonel Robert K. Morgan, pilot of the B-17 Memphis Belle. Colonel Morgan served the United States of America in the Army Air Corp during World War II from 1941-1945 and the United States Air Force Reserve from 1945-1965. Colonel Morgan is being honored by the Kiwanis Club of Altoona on August 20, 2008, at which time his widow, Linda, will reflect upon the great adventures and accomplishments of her husband.

Colonel Morgan was a great serviceman who dedicated much of his life to serving our country. For his service, Colonel Morgan was awarded the distinguished Flying Cross with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters and the Air Medal with 10 Oak Leaf Clusters. On May 17, 1943 Colonel Morgan and his crew of the Memphis Belle became the first to complete twenty-five missions over Europe and return to the United States. Colonel Morgan's mission was made into a combat documentary, entitled "Memphis Belle," by Warner Brothers in 1990. Following the historic flight over Europe, Colonel Morgan and his crew departed England in June 1943 for the United States and began a thirty city public relations/war bond tour. Colonel Morgan's crew were recognized as heroes at every stop on their tour and thanked by the American public. Morgan went on to lead the first B-29 bombing raid on Tokyo in 1944, after which he served in the Air Force Reserve and retired as a full Colonel in 1965.

Colonel Morgan's heroic service and leadership in the Army Air Corps during World War II and the United States Air Force Reserve will forever be remembered. His service and dedication brought great pride to our nation, his family, and his community. Colonel Morgan's memory as an Army officer of the highest caliber will not be forgotten. His actions reflected great credit upon himself, his flight crew, and the United States Army. I would like to stand with the Kiwanis Club of Altoona to recognize the late Colonel Robert K. Morgan for all of his leadership and devotion to the United States of America.

Colonel Robert K. Morgan's wife, Linda, his family and friends, and the Kiwanis Club of Altoona are certainly proud of the Colonel's life of service and commitment to our country during a time of war both at home and abroad and it gives me great pleasure to honor his life and selfless service.

NO RECESS FOR CONGRESS

HON. JERRY MORAN

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. MORAN of Kansas. Madam Speaker, For years, this country has needed a national

energy policy that increases the supply of energy, promotes renewable and alternative fuels, and encourages conservation. Kansans deserve action and they need it now. Instead, we have a Democratic Congress blaming the Republican President and both parties trying to score political points in the November election.

After failing to convince my colleagues to stay and work, rather than take an August recess, I voted against Congress adjourning. Now is the time for Congress to adopt a plan to increase supplies and reduce demand. We should stay in Washington until this work is done. The price of gas at the pump, and the cost businesses and farmers face for fuel and fertilizer, tell me that it should not be business as usual in Washington, DC.

IN RECOGNITION OF ASBAREZ-ARMENIAN DAILY NEWSPAPER'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th anniversary of the Asbarez-Armenian Daily Newspaper. Asbarez, which translates to 'arena' in English, was founded on August 14, 1908 in Fresno, California, by seven dedicated members of the Armenian-American community: Aslan Aslanian, Bedros Hagopian, Levon Hagopian, Abraham Seklemian, Hovanness Kabadayan, Avedis Tufenkjian and Arpaxat Setrakian.

Like its counterparts in other Diaspora communities, such as Hairenik in Boston and Aztag in Lebanon, Asbarez has chronicled the Armenian experience worldwide. Among other things, they have written about the dire conditions in the homeland under Imperial Russia and Ottoman Turkey, the calamity of the Armenian Genocide, the World Wars, the rise and fall of the first Republic, Soviet rule, the tragic 1988 earthquake, the Karabakh "Artsakh" liberation and the independence of the Republic of Armenia.

In the words of Edward Megerdichian, who worked at Asbarez from 1956-1963, "[Asbarez] was ninety percent voluntary, and everyone had a sense of ownership, a sense of community—that this is our paper and our lives are described in this paper."

During the 1970's Asbarez Publishing Company moved its operations from California's San Joaquin Valley to the Los Angeles basin. Since its inception, the circulation of the newspaper has grown from 1,200 copies to thousands; it has become a formidable bilingual daily newspaper and a dependable source for information in the online community.

It is my distinct honor to recognize Asbarez's unwavering commitment to inform and educate the public. I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Asbarez on their 100th anniversary.